

# National Weather Service



## MEDIA ADVISORY

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### Van Wert NOAA Weather Radio Station Dedication

*January 13, 2003 in Van Wert*

A Dedication for a new NOAA Weather Radio station will be held at the Van Wert Community Center at 1000 a.m., Monday, January 13, 2003 in Van Wert, IA. Van Wert is about 50 miles south of Des Moines. Members of the local community, Iowa Emergency Management and the National Weather Service will be on hand to answer questions about the new station and to dedicate it to the citizens of south central Iowa. All media and the public are invited to attend.

The new NOAA Weather Radio station, KZZ-68, is now serving parts of six Iowa counties around Van Wert. The preliminary broadcast-service area includes: **Union, Clarke, Lucas, Ringgold, Decatur and Wayne counties.** The new NOAA Weather Radio station is broadcasting at 300 Watts of power on the Iowa State Patrol Communications tower in Van Wert.

If you have any questions, please contact Jeff Johnson, Warning Coordination Meteorologist, by telephone at 515-270-4501, Extension 726, or by e-mail at [jeff.johnson@noaa.gov](mailto:jeff.johnson@noaa.gov). Thank you.